



HERITAGE SITE STEWARDS CONFERENCE

Four Corners Heritage Council, Blanding, Utah, October 10-12, 2001

Using Volunteers to Protect, Manage, and Enhance Cultural Resource Sites

RESOURCE LIST

Volunteers

- Independent Sector is a national leadership forum, working to encourage philanthropy, volunteering, not-for-profit initiative and citizen action that help us better serve people and communities. 800 voluntary organizations, foundations, and corporate giving programs participate. www.indepsec.org
- The Points of Light Foundation, 1400 I Street, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20005, 202/729-8000, www.pointsoflight.org, is a nonpartisan nonprofit organization devoted to promoting volunteerism.
- AVA (Association for Volunteer Administration and Management), PO Box 32092, Richmond, VA 23294, 804/346-2266, www.avaintl.org. AVA's purpose is to "promote professionalism and strengthen leadership in volunteerism."
- Service Leader www.serviceleader.org

Fundraising

- The Gannett Foundation has compiled a list of resources for nonprofits that provides a wide-range of links beneficial to all grant seekers. Included are sites with information on proposal writing and the foundation world to free services for nonprofits. <http://www.gannettfoundation.org/otherlinks.htm>
- Independent Sector (See description above.) www.indepsec.org
- Conservation Assistance Tools a searchable directory for grants, cost sharing, and technical assistance available for natural resources projects in the western United States. Seven hundred foundations, government agencies, and other organizations have provided CAT up-to-the-minute information about the grants and services they provide. www.sonoran.org/cat.default.aspx

- Give.org is the new site of the BBB Wise Giving Alliance formed by the merger of the National Charities Information Bureau and the Council of Better Business Bureaus' Foundation and its Philanthropic Advisory Service. The Alliance is currently in the process of revising the charity standards with the expectation that new standards will be in place by early 2002. As part of the revision process, they have created a "[Discussion Document](#)" to encourage both donor and charity input about charity accountability issues being considered in the standards update. www.give.org
- And almost every corporation and foundation has a site outlining their giving programs, including guidelines, deadlines, and applications. Although you won't likely see a link or mention on the home page, check out departments like "community affairs", "public relations", or "community support." You might also try using the site's search engine and use the word "Foundation." If all else fails, call the main switchboard at corporate headquarters and ask for the name of the person (and their department) who heads corporate giving or philanthropy.

Education

- EE-Link EE-Link offers a wide range of resources for the environmental educators, including professional development information, classroom resources, environmental information and data, employment listings, and grant resources. Although the web site is geared toward environmental educators, there is a great deal of useful information for non-educators, including general environmental grant listings. <http://eelink.net>

Social Ecology

- A "must see" site. www.naturalborders.com

Community Building

- National Association for Community Leadership is dedicated to nurturing leadership in communities throughout the United States and internationally. www.communityleadership.org
- Alliance for National Renewal is a coalition of over 200 national and local organizations dedicated to the principles of community renewal. www.ncl.org/anr
- Time Dollar Institute A new kind of money for rebuilding the Core Economy of family, neighborhood, and community. www.timedollar.org/index.htm
- Asset Based Community Development Institute Building communities from the inside out. www.northwestern.edu/IPR/abcd.html

Reading List

The Cathedral Within, Transforming Your Life by Giving Something Back

Bill Shore, Random House, 1999.

Life is so fast for us and we want instant results. Contrast our time to the middle ages when skilled craftsman (like us) spend their entire career enthusiastically, proudly, and tirelessly working on a building (in this case a cathedral, hence the title) that they'd never see finished. *Extremely readable.*

Organizing Genius, The Secrets of Creative Collaboration

Warren Bennis / Patricia Biederman, Perseus Books, 1997.

Bennis is at the USC School of Business but do not let that scare you away from this readable and enjoyable book. His thesis is "None of us is as smart as all of us," and that notion will be with you forever after reading this collection of stories underling key concepts of collaboration.

Ripples from the Zambezi: Passion, entrepreneurship and the rebirth of local economies, Ernesto Sirolli, New Society Publishers, Gabriola Island, BC, 1999.

Very fun to read. Will help you see how to facilitate (help) individuals with good ideas build successful businesses. But beware, lots of possibilities will start to appear right in front of your eyes!

Building Communities from the Inside Out, A Oath Toward Finding and Mobilizing A Community's Assets, John P. Kretzmann & John L. McKnight, ACTA Publications, 1993.

and

The Organization of Hope: A Workbook for Rural Asset-based Community Development, Luther K. Snow, ACTA Publications, 2001.

These workbooks are amazing at helping you understand the assets within a community and how to find and move toward action. These guys come from the point of view of community development so their material needs to be adapted slightly for community-based stewardship and partnership work. But that's not hard to do. Nuts and bolts. There is also an 8-hour set of videos available for the Kretzmann/McKnight book. This is the material that Adrian Bohach, presenter above, can deliver.)

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